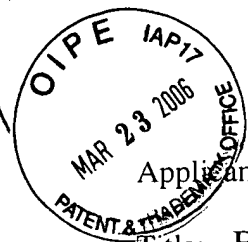


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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of September 20, 2005, Applicant submits the following response: